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## Tithing Pays Says Reader

My pastor asked me to give a written testimony in regard to tithing. I am doing it, for no other purpose than hoping someone who does not tithe may begin or it may be encouraging to someone who has already started.

In spite of God's Word being very plain and having much to say about this subject, I must confess I really had to learn the hard way. It was ten years or more after I was saved before I started to tithe, when I should have been man enough to give Him His share from the beginning. I felt I loved my Lord and I knew He loved a cheerful giver and I wanted to give and was giving the little sum of 50c a week and many times had to borrow this when I began tithing. I remember how the devil would have me counting how much this would be for a month, then for a year, then calculate how much the church would get if all members would do just as much as I was doing. "May God have mercy on all who give in this manner." I was always finding it hard to meet my obligations and even to pay this 50c per week that I had promised. I was dealing unfairly with my Lord and robbing my own self of many a blessing.

It was after my pastor preached a (Continued On Page Eight)  
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## Anglican Bishop Asks Christian Approach To Germans

(By Religious News Service)

London—(By Wireless)—Liberation of the German people from the influences of militarism and Nazism "can come only through the power of Christianity," the Rt. Rev. A. C. Headlam, Anglican bishop of Gloucester, declared here.

The bishop stressed that friendship with the Germans might begin through the churches.

"Many German pastors were opposed to the National Socialist regime before the war, and some were persecuted," he said. "Most of those who did not join with the Confessional Church in actively opposing Nazi rule felt the important thing was their work as Christian pastors."

The bishop cautioned that "we should not make distinctions, but should seek friendship with all alike, ignore political differences, and meet on a pure religious basis."

"Old friendships could be renewed as the beginning of more peaceful relations between our countries," he added. "It is not in accordance with our traditions to bear malice when victory is won against those we have had to fight."



HARDIE C. BASS

## Bass Joins Sunday School Board Staff

The Baptist Sunday School Board takes pleasure in announcing Hardie C. Bass, Jr., architect, of Marietta and Atlanta, Georgia, has been added to the staff of the Baptist Sunday School Board in the Department of Church Architecture. He will be a most worthy member of the Sunday School Board family.

Mr. Bass is a member of the American Institute of Architects. He is a graduate of the Georgia School of Technology having won his professional degree in architecture in 1932. He is also a graduate of Baylor University, receiving his A. B. degree in mathematics in 1928. He has done graduate work in Cornell University, College of Engineering, Ithaca, New York. His experience includes: teacher and coach in high school, the private practice of architecture, experience with Robert and Company, Architects and Engineers, Atlanta, Georgia, and more recently with the Bell Aircraft Corporation.

Hardie C. Bass, Jr., is the son of Dr. Hardie C. Bass, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Bessemer, Alabama. He is a deacon and has served as superintendent of the Sunday school. He is a Texan and has lived a good many years in Alabama and Georgia. Editor's note: Dr. H. C. Bass, Sr., was formerly pastor of the First church, Meridian.

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## Rural Churches Need Representation

By Garland A. Hendricks

The North Carolina Baptist State Convention is constituted predominantly of rural churches and small churches, but a study of the personnel of the Convention boards and committees reveals that its policies and programs are determined mainly

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## Chaplain Tells Of Experiences On Guadalcanal

The chaplain's weapon of war—spiritual inspiration—is hurrying along in its mission of bringing comfort to American soldiers all over the world. Whether it be in the jungles of the South Pacific, the mountains of Italy, or any of the other scenes of action, American chaplains are marching with our fighting men, ministering to the wounded and dying and counseling and leading the living.

Back from Guadalcanal comes Chaplain (Captain) Clifford Chadwick of Providence, Rhode Island, whose experiences as revealed to the War Department today are further evidence of the important and dangerous role chaplains are playing in the war.

Chaplain Chadwick, who served with an infantry regiment, was one of the first chaplains to be awarded the Legion of Merit in this war, and is well acquainted with warfare from actual experience. Being pinned behind a log by Jap machine gun fire that is chipping off the bark right in front of your nose is not a pleasant experience; and when a hill of South Pacific

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## THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION CALENDAR CO-ORDINATED DENOMINATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR 1946

### First Quarter

January—Program Month:

- (1) Co-operative Program.
- (2) Denominational Prayer Week, January 7-13.
- (3) Student Life-Enlistment Day, January 20.
- (4) Church School of Missions.
- (5) Southwide Simultaneous Associational Sunday School Meetings, January 22.

February—Stewardship Month.

- (1) Baptist World Alliance Sunday, February 3.
- (2) Stewardship Sunday, Feb. 10.
- (3) Student Evangelistic Week, February 10-16.
- (4) G. A. Focus Week, Feb. 10-16.
- (5) March—(1) Home Missions.

- (2) W. M. U. Week of Prayer for Home Missions and Annie Armstrong Offering, March 4-8.
- (3) Home and Foreign Mission Day in Sunday School and Offering, March 31.
- (4) Training Union Study Courses.

### Second Quarter

- (1) Training Union Youth Week in Churches, April 7-14.
- (2) Relief and Annuity Board (and (Continued On Page Eight)

## My Favorite Sermon

WHY HURT YOURSELF?  
Rev. Leon Macon, West Point, Miss.



REV. LEON MACON

Text: "... Saul, Saul, why persecute thou me? It is hard for thee to kick against the pricks." Acts 26:14.

Introduction.

I wish to relate the instance of a cook who worked for my mother-in-law. She could not get along with her husband. One night they got into a fight. In her effort to hurt him she bit him, but they were in such a

tangle that she found out she was not biting him but herself.

In the scripture Paul relates his conversion. Let us note, The Personal Address, The Personal Question, and The Personal Warning.

I. The Personal Address. "Saul, Saul."

The meaning of His repeating Saul's name must be gleaned from its tone.

1. Was it given in an excited tone?

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## Southern Baptists Urged To Create Broadcasting Station

Memphis, Tenn.—(RNS)—Creation by the Southern Baptist Convention of its own broadcasting station and a publicity department "to tell the world what Southern Baptists are doing," was urged here by Lawson W. Cooke, general secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South, the denomination's organization for laymen.

Mr. Cooke also suggested that churches in the larger centers purchase weekly advertisements in newspapers, and that every church have its nameplate prominently displayed on the front of the building.

"We should break our traditional silence," he said, "lift our self-imposed censorship, and tell the world of the bigness of Southern Baptists at home and around the world."

## Sparks & Splinters

Rev. W. B. Abel of Poplar Springs church, Meridian, was the evangelist during the revival at Puckett. The singing was under the direction of Rev. Milford Vaughn of Meridian. There were three additions. Pastor R. H. Fitzgerald and his family were presented a shower of canned goods and groceries at the close of the meeting.—Mrs. Kirby Warren, reporter.

The following have been recent visitors to the office of The Baptist Record: Dr. P. I. Lipsey, Clinton; Rev. N. S. Jackson, Jackson; Rev. A. P. Wells, Brookhaven; Dr. H. L. Lang, New Orleans, La.; Rev. M. P. Jones, Hazlehurst; Rev. W. L. Day, Louisville; Rev. W. H. Wood, Oakdale; Rev. W. W. Tynes, Cleveland; Rev. C. M. Day, Pontotoc; Rev. A. L. O'Briant, Chapel Hill, North Carolina; Maurine Jordan, Gulfport; Mrs. Carl O'Neal, Jackson; Rev. E. R. Anderson, Fayette; Rev. F. Jeff Eubanks, Luceville; Rev. A. Sidney Johnston, Jackson; Thomas B. Adair, AM 1/c, Vicksburg; Capt. Melvin T. Wilson (chaplain), Camp Swift, Texas; Miss Betty Wilkinson, Lexington, Ky.; Rev. Elwyn N. Wilkinson, Lexington, Ky.

### MAKE THE MONTH OF OCTOBER AN "ALL-CHURCH" State Mission Study Month.

We had a good meeting at Artesia with Pastor G. Lee McIntyre. Three came for baptism. Pastor McIntyre is sound in the faith and sincere of purpose.—C. J. Olander.

Then came for baptism and two by letter in the revival with Scotland church near Winona of which C. B. Hamlet, III, is pastor. It was our privilege to do the preaching.—C. J. Olander.

Linn church, Sunflower Association, reached an average of 82 in the VBS the week of July 16-20. Rev. C. W. McMurray was principal and he was assisted by the following workers: Mrs. Dade, Mrs. Gatewood, Miss Hilda Logan, Mrs. Burrell, Miss Avis Stokes and Mrs. Head. The school was held the week preceding the revival. There were 62 additions during the revival in which Rev. C. W. McMurray preached and Rev. Warren Tynes conducted the music.—Mrs. J. B. Lovett, reporter.

### MAKE THE MONTH OF OCTOBER AN "ALL-CHURCH" State Mission Study Month.

There were 70 enrolled in the Vacation Bible school of Green's Creek church, Lebanon Association, July 9-13. Sixty-three awards were presented for perfect attendance. Miss Annell Horne served as principal. The pastor is Rev. A. R. Loftin. The mission offering amounted to \$6.58.—Mrs. J. E. Wilson, reporter.

London—(By Wireless to RNS)—Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, president of the Baptist World Alliance, is expected to leave here shortly for a visit to the United States.

### MAKE THE MONTH OF OCTOBER AN "ALL-CHURCH" State Mission Study Month.

Hartford, Conn.—(RNS)—A bill empowering Connecticut municipalities to decide by local option the question of Sunday closings of liquor-selling establishments within their boundaries has been signed here by Gov. Raymond E. Baldwin. The measure also authorizes municipalities to vote on week-day closing hours of such establishments.

### MAKE THE MONTH OF OCTOBER AN "ALL-CHURCH" State Mission Study Month.

County Line church, near Dossville, will begin its annual summer revival Sunday night, August 12 at 8 p. m. Dr. William Potter, pastor at Carthage and interim pastor of our church will do the preaching. Morning services begin at 11. The Epistle of James will be the keynote for the morning hour Bible studies.—Reporter.

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Brown's Flat, N. C.—(RNS)—The Reformed Baptist Alliance of Maine and the Maritime Provinces has purchased property here to expand its camp meeting facilities. Included in the transaction were a summer hotel, a general store, and 25 acres of land, acquired for \$10,000. Additional accommodations have been made necessary because of record crowds attending summer meetings.

Dr. John F. Carter, Winston county missionary, couldn't be in three places at one time, but he assisted in three meetings during the same week. He attended Enon revival (O. B. Renick preaching) in the morning, the VBS at Ellison Ridge in the afternoon and preached each night at Crystal Springs except three nights when rain prevented services. There were three additions at Crystal Springs.

A letter from J. C. Hockett, Jr., of the Sunday School Department in Nashville advised Superintendent M. C. Billingsley of First church, Winona, that theirs was one of the Sunday schools which had an increased enrollment in 1945.

Glendale church, Forest county, has the foundation ready for the erection of a new brick building. Pastor J. A. Cothen is serving full time.—Mrs. L. D. Bassett, church clerk.

Youth, Sex and Marriage, a pamphlet by Leland Foster Wood, discusses the value of continence and the heavy cost of sexual license in a way that young people will understand. It will be of interest also to ministers, chaplains, teachers and parents in connection with their responsibilities for guiding youth. The price is ten cents and orders should be sent to Harthside Press, Flushing, New York.

New Prospect church, Newton county, Mt. Pisgah Association, was led in revival services by the pastor, H. C. Bufkin. There were seven additions.

Hardy: We had an enrollment of 40 in our VBS and an average attendance of 34. The revival was held the week following with Rev. Kenny Pepper of Louisville, Ky., leading the singing and the pastor doing the preaching. There were six additions upon profession of faith and one re-dedication.—Berton McGee, pastor.

Poplarville: We enrolled 103 in our Vacation Bible school July 18-29. Our offering of \$20 was sent to the Baptist Orphanage. The following faculty members helped to make the school successful: Mrs. Earle Hackett, Mrs. Paul Miller, Frances Ellen Hurst, Mrs. H. S. Ford, Mrs. Glenda Bass, Mrs. T. Z. Gibson, Mary Louise Dove, Wanda Crocker, Georgia Louise Smith, Nelda Jean Ladner, Jerry Rawls, Frances Jean Smith, Mrs. Buddy Harvey, Myrtle Jacobs, Mrs. Charlie Smith, Mattie Pauline Strahan and Velma Von Daniels. The W. M. S. served refreshments and Rev. Frank Gunn was guest speaker.—Mrs. Earle Hackett, principal.

Pastor Clark McMurray did the preaching in the revival at Linn church, Sunflower county. He was assisted by Rev. Warren Tynes, pastor of Dockery church, Sunflower county, who conducted the music. There were 42 professions of faith, 15 by letter and 17 rededications.

In preparation for the revival meeting at Fellowship church, Smith county, a census was taken. The tabulation showed 56 above nine years old who were unsaved. A Vacation school was held simultaneously with the revival. Two students from Clarke College assisted in the VBS. Pastor James Robert was assisted in the revival by Rev. V. C. Windham of Newton. Three came on profession of faith.

Rev. Thurman Booth of Terry was the evangelist in the revival at New Haven church, Hinds county. Pastor Glynn Flynt conducted the music. There were 12 additions.—Reporter.

Philadelphia: Our building fund now totals \$32,254. Total gifts for July were \$2,717.—Reporter.

Dr. and Mrs. A. L. O'Briant are now living in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Having been a minister for more than 60 years, Dr. O'Briant feels that he is justified in retiring from active service.

Rev. B. B. Sawyer has completed his first year as pastor of the First church, Murray, Kentucky. During the year there were 173 additions, a budget increase of 37½% and offerings increased 28%.

Cowboys and Coyotes, by Dr. E. P. Alldredge is a book of true stories of adventurous living with cowboys and coyotes in the great southwestern territory at the turn of the century. They are packed full of action and drama. The wildlife of the section is scientifically portrayed. The fine character traits of the men and women of the stories are an inspiration. The stories are stranger than fiction because they are from real life and based on true experiences of the author. Young and old will enjoy this book. Dr. Alldredge, the author, has been the secretary of Survey and Statistics and Information at the Sunday School Board for 25 years. The price is \$2.00 and orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store.

Heidelberg: It was my privilege to preach at Harrisville in their recent revival. The pastor is Rev. O. C. Chance, and Joe Haigler of Jackson and Clinton led the singing. The book of Philippians was used as a basis for the morning services.—Bryan Simmons.

Mrs. Lora Chapman, a member of Steen's Creek church, Rankin county, passed away in her sleep July 28. She had been well and her going was a great shock to her family and friends. She had been a devout and active Christian since childhood.—C. E. Russell, Florence.

Evangelist Paul Montgomery of Winchester, Kentucky, recently assisted in revival meetings at Red House and Kirksville, both in Tates Creek (Kentucky) Association. There were 22 and 35 for baptism.

Rev. B. S. Hilton of Soso was the evangelist during our revival at Union Grove church, Calhoun Association. Pastor C. T. Schmitz reports that the church members pledged to give the tenth.

Wilmington, Del.—(RNS)—State laws prohibiting "innocent games of chance" are unjust and "should be repealed," according to the Very Rev. Dr. J. Francis Tucker, O. S. F. S., rector of St. Anthony's Roman Catholic church here. He took issue with a recent statement by the Dover Ministerial Association branding gambling in any form as immoral.

We spent a very joyous and profitable week with Pastor Charles Tyler and his people at the Branch Baptist Church in Scott county. The pastor directed the music, and we tried to do the preaching. Though the rains were heavy through the week, the attendance was good. There were four additions by baptism.—C. S. Thomas.

All who think that those in the armed service do not appreciate The Baptist Record are invited to read the following words from Cpl. Marion H. Moore, whose address is 165th G. H., A. P. O. 772, c/o Postmaster, New York: "I would like to thank you and the ones who are responsible for sending me the Baptist paper. I have enjoyed it very much and it has been a great help to me during my time overseas."

Minneapolis, Minn.—(RNS)—The Rev. Sverre Torgerson of Morris, Tenn., has been named as the first full-time editor of The Lutheran Messenger, English language organ of the Lutheran Free Church. The journal was edited by Prof. J. S. Melby of Augsburg College, who died in 1944, and since then it has been in charge of A. B. Batalden, manager of the Free Church press.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

August 5, 1945

	SS BTU
Jackson, Calvary	896 217
Jackson, Parkway	380 140
Vicksburg, First	446 130
New Albany First	411 198
Winona, First	201 43
Jackson, Daniel	126 49
Jackson, First	854 210
Liberty	159
Crystal Springs	382 100
Houlka, Chickasaw county	59 33
Tupelo, Harrisburg	186 59
Ackerman	137 30
Hardy	90 16
Wellman	65 60
Summit	126 112
Spring Hill, Simpson county	47 39
New Augusta	67 17
Vicksburg, Bowmar Avenue	167 108
Carmel, Lawrence county	106 110
Brookhaven, First	393 85
Louisville	338 75
Rocky Creek, George county	81 67
Cross Roads, Webster county	40
Bruce	165 40
Pearlhaven	138 34

July 29, 1945

New Augusta	60 15
Ellison Ridge, Winston county	100 146
Leakesville	112 58
Pearlhaven	144 52

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Miss Annelle Horne taught a Vacation Bible school at the Greenville church, Marion Association, the week of July 22-27 and at night taught the book, "Building a Standard Sunday School." There were 30 students enrolled and eight teachers. Eleven got credit for the study course.—Juanita Wilson, reporter.

Rev. L. J. Crumby of Inverness assisted me in our revival at Taylor, Lafayette county. There were 13 additions.—J. L. Courson, pastor.

There were several additions to Clear Creek church, Lafayette county during our revival. Dr. D. L. Sturgis was the preacher.—J. L. Courson, pastor.

Rev. M. C. Waldrup is conducting revival services at Zion Hill church, Amite county, this week. Next week beginning Sunday, Aug. 12, revival services will be held with the Liberty Baptist Church, M. C. Waldrup, pastor, conducting same.—Alma J. Causey, reporter.

We were indebted to our youth choir of 25 voices under the capable leadership of Mr. R. E. Freeman for the music for both of our services Sunday, August 5. The entire morning worship service was given over to the observance of the ordinance of the Lord's Supper. 152 communion glasses were used. Last Wednesday, August 1, our Intermediate department of the Sunday school conducted prayer meeting in the absence of the pastor. Miss Louise Cartledge is the superintendent.—C. B. Hamlet, III, pastor.

"How to Improve Your Preaching" by Dr. Bob Jones, Jr., is just what the title indicates. It is a preacher's guidebook for all preachers, but with special reference to those still new to the pulpit or in preparation for it. All preachers will find in this book valuable suggestions and information about many things—about etiquette in the pulpit and out, sermon construction and delivery, voice training, method of appeal, conduct of services, even about preaching over the radio. The book is written clearly and convincingly, and there is frequent reference to preachers of prominence and renown. The author is joint principal with his father of Bob Jones College, and well known evangelist, and author of "All Fullness Dwells." Order from the publisher, Fleming H. Revell, Co., New York, or the Baptist Book Store. The price is \$1.50.

Des Moines, Iowa—(RNS)—Although it once took a different view, the Iowa attorney general's office now holds that parochial school pupils may be transported in public school buses.

## Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails," 1. Cor. 13:8b

"When Jesus saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them," Matthew 9:35-36.

## I

We have just finished mailing materials for the fall association programs to the association clerks. In the few associations where the clerk has removed his residence from the association, we are mailing the materials to the Board member, or some other prominent Baptist leader. These are important materials. The quantity is limited, and should be carefully held and distributed to the proper person making reports at the association meetings.

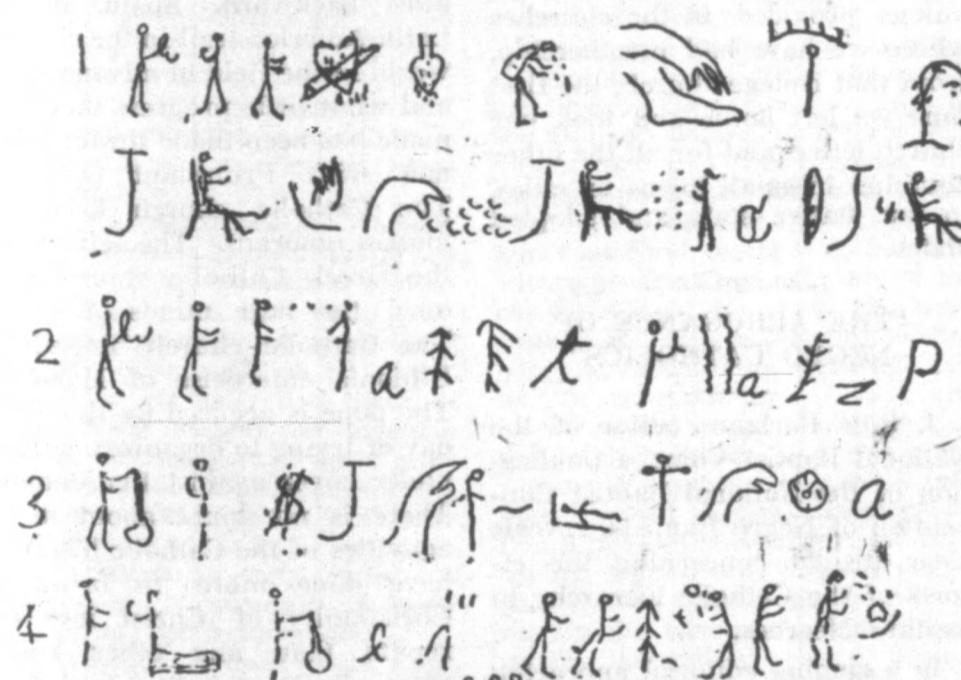
## II

We are now realizing another long cherished desire. State Mission Books have been so few and far between that we really do not recall the nature, or the date of, the last one printed. The last Convention and Board authorized this office to get out a booklet treating State Missions. At first we thought we would write it, but we find one person can do just so many things, and in addition we thought that we knew others who should and could do it better. The title of this booklet now coming off the press is "Our First Task." We believe you will be pleased and surprised at the manner in which a multitude of State Mission items are mentioned.

During August we hope to mail a copy of this booklet to each pastor. In addition we plan to mail four copies to each Sunday school superintendent asking him to keep one copy, to give one copy to the B. T. U. director, one copy to the Missionary Society president, and one copy to the Brotherhood director. Where these organizations may be lacking in a church, we are asking him to pass the copies along to church leaders. We hope this book will be read by individuals. It will prove to be a good study in a brief series at prayer meeting, in the Training Union, in the Sunday school, or the Missionary Society and Brotherhood. The Baptist Student Union will find it profitable also. We certainly hope that regular study courses in this book may be held in the churches. We propose to furnish these books free in limited quantities, as long as the supply lasts to churches agreeing to take a group through such a study. We ask that only the number of books be ordered conforming to the number of persons, or number of families agreeing to take the study. This year we have a \$280,000 State Mission budget, and we reported a net income of only \$147,578.57 to the Convention last fall. That means if we are going to continue this great State Mission program which we have begun we must have a great State Mission offering in September and October, 1945.

## III

We feel that our boys and girls, along with others, may enjoy the following song in Eskimo sign language, followed by the English interpretation.



Will you come? Will you come, with your poor broken heart,  
Burdened and sin oppressed?

Lay it down at the feet of your Saviour and Lord.

## Chorus

Jesus will give you rest, O happy rest, sweet, happy rest.

Jesus will give you rest;

Oh, why won't you come in your simple trusting faith?

Jesus will give you rest.

Will you come? Will you come? You have nothing to pay,  
Jesus who loves you best,  
By His death on the cross purchased life for your soul.

Will you come? Will you come? How He pleads with you now!  
Fly to His loving breast,  
Whatever your sin or your sorrow may be.

## IV

Some years ago a preacher had seemingly spent much of his sermonic effort in emphasizing belief in the Bible. Someone in our hearing criticized him very severely, saying, "It was time wasted, as practically every person there believed the Bible." That criticism is one of those "catchy" things that sounds very "smart" but in fact is very empty. First, if they believe the Bible 100%, what is the use of preaching anything since they have already graduated? Second, we are not so sure that the majority of people in the average

congregation really believes the Bible, when 95% of them never win a soul to Christ; when 80% never go to prayer meeting; when 70% never give to missions; when 60% never go to church Sunday night; when 50% never go to Bible school; when 40% never give to any cause; when 30% never attend any church service; when 25% never read the Bible; when 20% never pray, and when the remaining 15% are like the little man in the corner who was not there!

## V

It is estimated that the income of Southern Baptists for 1943 stood at \$3,831,764,456. A tithe of that for all the work of the Lord Jesus in the local church, the association, the state, at home and around the world, would have been \$383,176,445. As a matter of fact, Southern Baptists altogether for that year gave to all these causes only \$63,067,085. This means that Southern Baptists robbed God in tithes alone, to say nothing about offerings, in the amount of \$320,000,000. Yet, we call ourselves a Bible-believing, a tithing and a missionary people! Read the book of Malachi in its entirety!

We read with interest the reports from our chaplains. These reports come to the office monthly. For the month of June, Chaplain W. W. Boggan conducted 17 preaching services, with three professions of faith. He had for the month 1,197 personal contacts, he distributed 27 Testaments, 40 tracts, and 120 other religious publications. We should remember in prayer our chaplains.

We are highly pleased with the manner in which the Baptist Foundation has related itself to all our work. Because it has offices adjoining us, many Mississippi Baptists think it is administratively a part of our Convention Board work. Factually, it is a separate institution just as the orphanage is a separate institution under its own Board, and just as the hospital is a separate institution under its own Board. It is complimentary to our Baptist work when all phases of our work are so closely related that it appears as one. As a matter of fact, it should be just that! Brother Pierce and Mrs. Campbell, office secretary, have been welcomed by our staff. They have been accorded the courtesies of our equipment, as mimeograph room, etc.

Incidentally, after the war when we may get new equipment and added personnel as needed, we hope to bring our Convention Board setup to where it may be of larger service to all our institutions and agencies.

## VI

The Baptist building committee has given final approval to the plans calling for needed changes in rearranging the Baptist building to suit our needs. This committee has been very sympathetic toward every department concerned. They worked on the principle of treating every department alike, seeing that every department had the space needed. They took cognizance of the fact that business and professional offices generally are much smaller today than in former years. This is true of homes.

First, the committee authorized us to confer with each department head as to their needs, asking them to submit plans where they cared to do so. We passed all suggestions along to the architect, and in addition, asked the department heads to feel free to confer personally with the architect. Most of them did so. The total space suggested by the architect at the start proved satisfactory to the Executive Secretary, the Sunday school and the Training Union departments. Minor changes were suggested by the W. M. U. department. These changes were accepted. Some additional space was asked for by the editorial department of The Baptist Record. It was given. Additional space was asked for by the Brotherhood and our bookkeeping department. The requests were granted. The Baptist Foundation asked for larger space and they have been offered quarters originally intended for two departments. Every department was given the privilege of suggesting preferred arrangements inside their total space so long as it did not spoil the whole plan of the building. Minister's Retirement and the Music Department were provided space. In addition, we have a small parlor space with reading room facilities where we hope friends will make themselves at home. An assembly room with the seating capacity of 100 is provided. This will care for our daily prayer meeting, for committee meetings, and for the Convention Board sessions. We have large storage space in the basement. Rest room facilities will be found on each of the three floors. A small mimeograph room is on the first floor. A small kitchenette is also on the first floor. Some Board employees bring their lunches and others will probably do so as we get farther away from the downtown district. We feel this will make for time saving and satisfaction in the work. Our staff members generally work rather diligently, and we believe Mississippi Baptists will appreciate this provision. "So built we . . . for the people had a mind to work." Nehemiah 4:6.

## VII

Laurel First church does things in a big way. Recently while supplying for them, we sat on the sideline while they presented Dr. L. G. Gates, pastor emeritus, with a check amounting to almost \$3,000. We were happy to give a response. They have also provided a lovely home, which we were happy to visit with Dr. and Mrs. Gates. Mrs. Gates is a wonderful character herself. Two good congregations and two by letter.

It was a joy to be with Pastor Guy Little and the saints at Goodwater, Simpson county in a revival series. Brother Little is another one of the finer of our younger ministers. He has a fine helper in Mrs. Little. This rural church is one of the largest and best we know. It has all the possibilities for a full time church. They were very gracious to us. Rev. Luther Harrison, a Mississippian, now of Oklahoma City, led the singing and did some soul winning on his own accord. Six professions of faith and fourteen were baptized the last day of the meeting. DOXOLOGY!

When we think of Crystal Springs, we think of larger and interested con-

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### FREE BOOKS

The current issue of the Baptist Program calls attention to the library service of the Vanderbilt School of Religion. Having often borrowed books from this library we gladly pass on the information and suggest that Mississippi pastors avail themselves of this splendid service.

We do call attention to the fact that, as is true of other libraries, some of the books are full of modernism. If read at all, they should be read in order to learn about the other side. As there are so many good and helpful books, why read modernism at all?

Send for their catalogue and select a book that will be helpful and when it is read, return and order another.

The Baptist Program article follows:

Vanderbilt University has a circulating library of 5,000 volumes covering almost any subject you can think of that was established specifically by a fine Christian layman to accommodate rural pastors. All you have to do is to write to the Vanderbilt School of Religion Circulating Library, Nashville 4, Tennessee, and tell them what book you want, and it will be mailed to you free of cost. Of course, you must agree to pay the return postage. Suppose you write the above address for a list of available books and further information.

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### PREACHERS' QUALIFICATIONS

Recently several members of a pastorless church were discussing the kind of pastor they hoped to have. Each one was anxious to call God's man. Again and again different ones emphasized the fact that they should try to seek the man that God wanted as pastor

of that church. Various qualifications were named as being desirable in a new pastor.

Finally a good woman said, "We have been discussing the various qualifications that we hope our next pastor will have. Should we not also consider the kind of members our pastor will find when he comes?"

She said a lot. WHILE DISCUSSING THE PREACHER'S QUALIFICATIONS, DON'T OVERLOOK YOUR OWN.

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### WE ARE DEBTORS TO BTU

One Southwide worker (now retired) has said on many occasions that whatever training he received was in the Senior B. Y. P. U. From the position of president of his local union he assumed other positions of responsibility in his own church, attended conventions and gave reports of the outstanding work of his own union. From the work in his local church and from his secular business in which he was engaged for a livelihood, he was called by his state to serve as the State B. Y. P. U. secretary. He was a layman without special training except in his local church. But God was able to use him in larger fields of service because of that training in the B. Y. P. U. (now known as the Training Union).

Others now serving in definite Christian work as educational directors, associate pastors, ministers, field workers, office workers, State and Southwide executives will say, "I made my first speech in the Junior Training Union," or "I got the habit of reading my Bible daily because of the readings in my quarterly and the quiz period each Sunday evening." Another will testify that his first public prayer was voiced in the Training Union. Serving on committees, planning study courses, social hours, suppers (banquets) and picnics taught and made young Christians willing to accept other responsibilities.

The participation in the weekly programs as outlined and presented gave to many young people a vision of the needs of the world. Missions became real, and the needs so poignant that hearts were answering the call of God (not always audibly, but none-the-less sincerely), "Here am I, send me." Growth as a Christian gave courage to youths grown to maturity to answer that call. Many have left home in opposition to family and friends to take that first step of preparation for the work to which God had called them.

God's Word is being preached around the world today in large city churches, in small churches in remote districts and on the islands of the sea, because of the

vision received in some Training Union.

Leaders do not become discouraged. We need more of our church members enlisted, but the ones you train have potentialities that God alone can fathom.

Active workers in the B. T. U. become B. S. U. leaders on their college campuses. They become Sunday school teachers, W. M. U. leaders, deacons and preachers in our churches.

It is easy to take things for granted, but we know what the B. T. U. has meant to us personally and we are reminding ourselves of the wonderful influence that it has had and is still having on our lives. What was formerly the B. Y. P. U. now has unit organizations for every age—for the Story Hour, for those under nine years, for Juniors, Intermediates, Young People and Adults. You are the loser if you have not participated in a Training Union. There should be one or more unions in your church. If there is not one, perhaps you who read this are the one the Lord would have to organize a Training Union in your church.

If you are a "has been" member it is not too late for you to begin again. The Training Union has its place in our church program. We are grateful for all the leaders we have had and for the unions provided in the churches where we have had membership, from that college church, the first time we left home and took our church letter, and for all the other churches in small towns or cities, in our native state and adopted states.

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### "THE ARROGANCE OF NEGRO CATHOLICS"

J. Pius Barbour, editor of the National Baptist Voice, a publication of the National Baptist Convention of Negro Baptists, reveals clear insight concerning the efforts of the Catholic hierarchy to capture Negroes.

In a ringing editorial appearing in the June issue of the Voice, Doctor Barbour evidences an intelligent grasp of the problems created by Roman Catholic propagandists, and a fine quality of conviction and courage in coming to grips with the issue involved.

Here is an editorial that will do credit to any Baptist paper.

"Will our troubles ever cease? Now we must be pestered with these late Negro Catholics who seem to think that they have taken out citizenship papers in the Seventh Heaven because a white priest treats them as human beings. One of the biggest confidence games ever smuggled into religion is carried on by the Catholic church. In public they preach

tolerance all the time. If a Protestant dares say that he believes in the doctrines of his father, he is immediately labeled as a bigot and an ignorant, intolerant man. The Liberals have swallowed this, hook, line and sinker, and it is nothing to find in all towns some vacuum-head Protestant leading a meeting of broad Christians, which usually is a meeting to damn any Protestant who dares defend his faith.

"But within the confines of the Catholic church, where the liberal churchmen are not around, the vials of wrath are poured on the poor, unsuspecting Protestant. Then these people spread out in the community and leave no stone unturned to injure the Protestant cause. The antics of these shady Catholics in our communities have passed the state of the ludicrous and they are now becoming a nuisance.

"Most of these brothers and sisters are as ignorant as they can be, and yet in all meetings they are the most loquacious. They know everything about everything. They have all the cock-sureness of the blissfully ignorant, and there is nothing more disgusting than a stubborn, ignorant person and especially the female of the species.

"It is no accident that the Catholic countries of the world are the most backward. Spain, Poland, Latin-America trail in the civilized world in the field of advancement, and what little progress they have made has been made through contact with Protestant countries. The Catholic church keeps the masses ignorant. The activities of the Greek Catholic church poisoned the best minds of Russia. The Catholic church blessed the Ethiopia enterprise of Mussolini. The pope is accused by Russia today of trying to organize a crusade under cover against that country. There is no doubt about it, the activities of the Catholic hierarchy have done more to bring the Christianity of Christ into disrepute than any other known agency."—Baptist Standard.

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### Gulfport Teen-Agers Enroll Fifty-Five

First church, Gulfport, Dr. H. T. Brookshire, pastor, enrolled 55 in a Teen-Age Bible school. A VBS for children four to twelve years of age was held at an earlier date. Both schools enrolled 166 and the average attendance was 130. The total offerings of \$53 will be used to equip a mission Sunday school on the west side of Gulfport.

The faculty of the Teen-Age school was composed of the following: Miss Maurine Jordan, principal; Dr. and Mrs. H. T. Brookshire, Sarah Mathews, Ann Broyles, Mrs. Henry Legett, Dede Dabbs, Chaplain Paul C. Edgar, Mrs. Houston Evans, Mr. J. C. Ross and Mrs. C. C. Clark.

RURAL CHURCHES NEED  
REPRESENTATION

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the pastors and lay members of a few large urban churches.

A study of the report of the Committee on Committees of the 1942 Convention reveals that the committees named by that Convention were made up of the following proportions: Town and city pastors, 67 per cent (20 per cent of the churches and 40 per cent of the members are in the town and city churches); laymen, 19 per cent (most of them from the large town and city churches); women, seven per cent; retired or inactive persons, five per cent; country and village pastors, two per cent (80 per cent of the churches and 60 per cent of the members are in the country and village churches).

No country preacher or layman has served as president of the state Convention since the last term of the late Rev. R. H. Marsh, who served from 1891 to 1904. Very few pastors or laymen have participated on Convention programs within the past quarter of a century. A few prominent persons serve in several different positions of responsibility, while the great masses of our half-million North Carolina Baptists are given little or no representation in Convention affairs.

This simply means that a denomination which is predominantly rural and small-church is in the position of having its patterns of thought and its programs of activity outlined by a group of people who have both the urban and the large-church point of view. These men are successful and highly deserving, they are capable and consecrated, and the majority of them came from the country when they were boys or young men, but they have now given themselves to the work of the urban church and naturally they think and plan in urban terms. It is unfair both to them and to the rural churches to expect them to determine all denominational policy and activity.

This also means that the majority of North Carolina Baptists are in the position of being expected to participate in Convention work without being fairly represented in determining this work. The condition has grown upon us so gradually that many of our people are not even conscious that it exists. Its continuation would prove to be one of the gravest dangers confronting us. The time has come when large numbers of our rural people expect a change in their status. If participation is expected of them, they expect fair representation.

## Some Significant Facts

Attention should be called to a few facts about the churches and people who constitute our denomination.

Eighty per cent of the churches are rural and 20 per cent are urban. Sixty per cent of the members are in rural churches and 40 per cent in urban churches. North Carolina is a rural state.

About 80 per cent of our churches have less than 300 members each. Only seven per cent have over 500 members each, and these churches report 29 per cent of all members. The average town and city church has almost three times as many members as the average country and village church.

Rural churches baptize more persons each year than do urban churches. The average rural church baptizes one person for each 24 members, and the average urban church

New Albany Pastor And Wife  
Honored On Wedding  
Anniversary

At the close of the prayer meeting hour on July 25, Pastor and Mrs. J. R. Davis of First church, New Albany, were honored with a gift of crystal from the different organizations of the church. The occasion was their fifteenth wedding anniversary.

Pastor Davis says that this is only one among many gifts that have been showered upon them since their coming to New Albany the first of May. They appreciate the fine spirit which has prompted an almost daily offering of gifts at the home of the pastor. baptizes one for each 29 members.

Eighty-two per cent of rural church buildings are constructed of wood, while 69 per cent of all urban church buildings are constructed of brick or stone. Though only 80 per cent of the churches are located in urban communities, they own 72 per cent of the value of all church property. Twenty-four per cent of the rural churches carry insurance on the buildings, while 80 per cent of the urban churches do. Only four per cent of the country churches own pastor's homes, while 60 per cent of the urban churches do. The average value of the rural pastor's home is \$2,152, while the average value of the urban pastor's home is \$5,734.

## Some Discouraging Factors

The smallness of the rural church is looked upon as a stigma. It ought to be looked upon as an opportunity to teach and practice the brotherhood of man in a concentrated way. Jesus chose to work intimately with only 12 persons. Where do we Baptists get the idea that one can minister effectively to thousands?

Rural people produce twice as many children as the rest of the population, but receive only one-half as much of the national income. They are at a serious economic disadvantage, but they give generously of their boys and girls. Where do some Baptists get the idea that rural churches do not contribute generously to the work of the denomination? We set up the large, wealthy churches as examples in contributing to denominational life, and fail to recognize such human and moral values as are contributed by the rural churches.

There is a serious shortage of full-time, resident pastors. Rural people find it difficult to secure or hold well-trained ministers of unusual insight and ability. This is partly because rural people have not supported their pastors adequately, partly because some young ministers have been willing to use rural churches as stepping stones to urban churches, and partly because our wealthier, larger urban churches can afford to pay larger salaries and offer more desirable living conditions. Urban churches ought to see their responsibility for helping rural churches instead of taking their best leadership away.

Some rural churches are poorly located.

There is practically no correlation between the work of our rural churches and the work of other agencies engaged in helping rural people.

Most rural churches use poor methods of church finance, or no method at all.

What some one has termed the "blighting curse of the annual call" remains a hindrance to the work of many churches.—Biblical Recorder.

## MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

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ggregations. They have a most beautiful house of worship and appreciate Pastor Joe T. Odle very much. Despite threatening weather, we faced two splendid congregations during the day.

In the afternoon we drove down to have part in an all day service in Lawrence County Association, Pastor B. E. Phillips, moderator; Pastor D. O. Horne, program chairman, and Pastor M. C. Nelson, pastor host. This association is giving every fifth Sunday altogether to the study of evangelism. We have evangelistic meetings in our churches. Our greatest state meeting is the Evangelistic Conference at Clinton. Why not every association repeating meetings with a soul winning emphasis?

Incidentally, Mississippi Baptists have a state force giving primary emphasis to evangelism. B. S. U. Secretary Munday has just closed some revival meetings! Brotherhood Secretary Street is engaged in a few soul winning services! Editor Goodrich has been busy in revivals! Sunday School Secretary E. C. Williams has been out in one or more revivals! Training Union Secretary Wilds has been leading in summer activities with a renewed evangelistic emphasis! The W. M. U. has been witnessing conversions in their summer camps! Our field and institutional leaders have been helping in this work. While your Executive Secretary has to spend a proportionate time in the office he has also taken time for a few revival services!

We praise Thee, O God! for the Son of Thy love,

For Jesus who died, and is now gone above.

Hallelujah! Thine the glory, Hallelujah! Amen! Hallelujah!

Thine the glory, revive us again.

## VIII

At this writing we have just received the following letter: "Dear Bro. McCall: Your message of sympathy in connection with the home-going of my sister, together with the message on Heaven, is highly appreciated. I thank you. She was a devout Christian and loved everybody. We who remain behind know where to find her."

What assurance! What comfort! "We who remain behind know where to find her." What blessing such assurance brings. Tragedy upon tragedy for those who do not have such assurance. Psalm 23. John 14.

The Rev. Davis is a Mississippian and has recently returned to his home state from a pastorate in Virginia.

Rev. E. D. Estes continues to be helpful to The Baptist Record. Two nice lists have recently come from him.

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## — Woman's Missionary Union —

President—Mrs. Webb Brane, Yazoo City Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson

### Attendance at Camp

	G.	A.	J.	G.	A.	J.	R.	A.	Int.	R.	A.	Y.	W.	A.	Different
District 1	141	49	110	25	16	37									
District 2	86	21	108	14	26	25									
District 3	57	18	41	11	5	15									
District 4	106	38	98	22	8	20									
District 5	66	8	37	10	4	14									
District 6	100	45	85	5	21	29									
District 7	130	81	84	26	38	37									
District 8	23	26	47	12	7	20									
	707	286	610	125	115	197									
Counselors	95	39	59	10	10										
College girls		24			10										
Helpers	59	24	62	15	14										
Total	863	373	731	150	149	197									

You see the statistical record above! We can't give the record as to results—only time can write that record!! Ideals raised, vision broadened, purpose deepened, determinations made, direction set!! The challenge and call of those days "spent apart" cannot be estimated. You have read the articles concerning the R. A. and G. A. camps in the last two weeks, and this article will seek to tell about the Y. W. A. camp and give some observations about the entire camping program.

The attendance at Y. W. A. camp was three times the number of campers present last summer. I have never seen a more interested group—with few exceptions, the girls had come for a purpose—to deepen their own spiritual experience and to gain a more intelligent and comprehensive understanding of missions.

The major emphasis was on "Helping Others to Become Christian." We studied together with Rev. Clovis A. Brantley an hour each day on this subject and determined that we would be soul winners. There were three mission study classes:

"Baptist Building in Brazil"—taught by Miss Margaret Mein of Brazil.

"Home Missions in a New World"—taught by Rev. Clovis A. Brantley of our Home Mission Board, working in the Rescue Mission in New Orleans.

"Pray Ye"—taught by Miss Georgia Mae Ogburn, director of the Training School in Santiago, Chile.

These missionaries were used as speakers for various assemblies.

The musical program was under the direction of Mrs. I. E. Rouse of Fifth Avenue Baptist Church of Hattiesburg and a sextet of girls from her girls choir. This added much to the spirit of the camp, as did the music of William Lowrey Compere on his xylophone.

Morning watch called us apart at the beginning of the day to come close to God as we prayed, read His word, and listened to inspirational music and poems. Vesper service drew us out of doors at the close of the day to consider "God who touchest earth with beauty," and to pray that He would make us as lovely and pure as His handiwork about us. One of the following directed our thoughts each afternoon: Mrs. W. L. Compere, Jackson; Mrs. Lavon Boyles, Laurel; Miss Edwina Robinson, Jackson; Mrs. J. H. Street, Jackson. We know these

were God-sent, because their messages met needs and answered questions that often lie unexpressed in the hearts of young women.

Miss Ogburn's motion pictures of the mission work in Chile, and "The Story of Bambi," relating an African experience with missions, gave us a new vision of what is being done and a greater desire to have a real part in doing it. Other pictures that influenced camp were five paintings by Sallman, one of which was flashed on the screen each night while an interpretation of the picture was given.

"The World at Vesper," a costumed presentation given by the college hostesses Sunday evening, emphasized the unity of Christianity and struck the keynote of Y. W. A.—Missions. Throughout the camp, the challenge came to share the Christ in whom "there is no east or west," in order that this Christian unity may bind all nations in peace—the "peace that passeth understanding."

#### Some Observations

Sixty of the 67 organized associations were represented at camp. Those not represented were: Carroll, Marshall, Montgomery, Tate, Tishomingo, Kemper and Franklin.

One hundred ninety-seven different churches had representatives at camp this summer. The following churches had representatives at all five camps: Jackson First church, Calhoun City, Harrisburg, Tupelo, Gulfport First, Laurel First, Hattiesburg Fifth Avenue, Prentiss and East McComb.

Four hundred and thirty-five more people came to camps this summer than last summer. Eighty-six of the boys and girls made a profession of faith in Christ while at camp.

One visible expression of what camps mean to the youth of our state is noted in the mission offering which each group took. The total offering was \$833.22. Each camp decided how its offering was to be divided, and the division is as follows:

\$211.08—Georgia Mae Ogburn for piano in Training School of Chile.

459.51—World relief.

50.66—H. C. Lacerdo for his church in Rio de Janeiro.

36.47—Clovis Brantley for Bibles in Rescue Mission of New Orleans.

25.50—Mrs. Grace Thompson for work among the French of Louisiana.

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"Prayer," by Dr. Clarence Edward McCartney, pastor, First Presbyterian church, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, reveals the secret of effective prayer, discusses its hindrances and describes its fruits. The book is well worth reading and will prove a blessing to its readers. The following messages are included: Prayer's Deliverance, Prayer and the Soul's Reserves, Your Answered Prayers, Your Hindered Prayers, Delayed Answers to Prayer, Pray for Others, The Profit of Prayer, Prayer and Temptation, Prayer and Your Trouble. Orders should be sent to the publisher, the Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Mich., or to the Baptist Book Store. The price is \$1.25.

Murphy Creek church, Winston county, F. H. Miller, pastor, has installed an electric fan and an electric pump. The pump will supply the pastor's home and the baptistry.

## Mississippi College Paragraphs

By D. M. Nelson, President

We had a good day at Rolling Fork last Sunday. Brother Van Hardin, of the class of 1937, was on his vacation. The Rolling Fork church, under the leadership of Brother W. W. Ferguson (1936), a few years ago went to full time and it is maintaining this status admirably. A trio of our splendid young women students accompanied us and made a valuable contribution to the services with their messages in song. The trio, under the able leadership of our choral director, Prof. E. N. Elsey, in the short time that he has been with us has been developed into an outstanding musical unit. The members are Lucille Case, Canton; Rachel Waggener and Jean Parker, Jackson. Yolie Carter, another one of our fine students, was our efficient chauffeur.

We were entertained at lunch in the home of Mrs. Wallace Carter, an old Hillman girl, whom many of us remember as Yoland Clark, of one of our best Mississippi and Hillman College families. She had a sister, Nellie Clark, to finish Hillman along with her, while her brothers, Laurance, now Dr. Clark of Vicksburg, and Watt, of baseball fame, attended Mississippi College. The latter was graduated in 1925. Now daughter Yolie will be graduated from Mississippi College next year. It is an inspiration to be in the company of such loyal Mississippi College friends.

We had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Carpenter. Mr. Carpenter, while not a former Mississippi College man, is a loyal Baptist and a strong supporter of all our causes. He is one of the pillars of his church. He is a man of large affairs, but finds time to serve his church and his community. His wife, whom we knew as Miss Annie Bernard, is a graduate of Blue Mountain College and taught expression at Hillman College for a number of years. These fine families anticipated our every want and abundantly supplied every need.

In addition to these former Mississippi and Hillman College students and friends, we found in active service in the church Tom Brand, of the class of 1911, and with whom we had the privilege of sharing a room while we were graduate students in the University of Chicago in the years gone. Tom is the superintendent of education of Sharkey county; and, as is true of most Mississippi College men, takes an active part in his church and denomination. Another of our graduates, J. Wesley Miller, of the class of 1928, is teacher of the men's

Bible class. We sat in this class and were greatly impressed with the scholarly and effective manner in which he presented the lesson. Miss Olive Alexander also worships there. She was graduated from Hillman College years ago and has more recently done work in the summer in Mississippi College. She is a great soul and a fine friend of the college.

We journeyed with Director Travis to Brookhaven Monday night, the 30th of July, to be present at a banquet meeting of Mississippi College friends, called by Chairman W. D. Lofton of the lower 7th district. There were twenty-one county and district leaders present. W. E. Watts, of the class of 1927, served as toastmaster. A fine spirit prevailed throughout the meeting. Many inspirational speeches were made. It did our soul good to hear these men of the yester-year feelingly tell of their appreciation of Mississippi College and their love and devotion for her. Mr. Travis is rapidly getting organizations set up in each county of the state and will be ready to present the cause of Mississippi College to all of our people and others this fall.

Mr. W. E. Price, of Clinton, paid us a visit last week. He brought along a check for \$200 and said, "Use it as you see fit on the Enlargement Program." Mr. and Mrs. Price came to Clinton years ago. For a number of years Mr. Price was manager of the Clinton Drug Co. His health failed and he and Mrs. Price began operating a dairy at the edge of town. The primary purpose of their coming to Clinton was to educate their children. Four sons and two daughters have attended Mississippi College. Three sons and one daughter were graduated. In addition to educating a large family of their own, they have made it possible for a number of other young men and young women to get a college education by providing work for them. In this way they have helped them help themselves, which after all is the best help one can render. Mr. and Mrs. Price have a granddaughter in Mississippi College now. She will be a member of the sophomore class this fall. She is the great-great granddaughter of Miss Sarah Hatch, who was a member of a class of girls graduating from Mississippi College in 1833. A Mississippi College line once established is seldom ever broken.

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Dr. John Lugwood Sutton, 72, president of the Mississippi Children's Home Society and for more than 20 years one of the most prominent figures in child welfare work in Mississippi, died August 3 in a Jackson hospital after an illness of several months.

Rev. W. L. Compere, pastor of Northside church in Jackson, will preach in the revival at Hickory Ridge Baptist Church in Rankin county beginning Aug. 12.—Robert Dickson, pastor.

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The Demand for admission for the 1945-1946 session by young women is so great that more than one hundred choice girls must be turned away due to lack of dormitory space.

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Lawrence T. Lowrey, President  
Blue Mountain College

## Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell

### Lesson for August 12 ISAAC'S TESTIMONY TO GOD Genesis 25 and 26

#### I. A Contrast.

There was drive in the character of Abraham. He was distinctly and decidedly a man of action. Abraham could be quiet and retiring, slow to anger and patient under the bludgeonings of wrong; but one would best not arouse Abraham, for once aroused, he could strike and strike hard. Isaac was the son of Abraham's old age. It has been said that the children of aged parents are characteristically quiet, of the contemplative, studious, introverted type. Such was Isaac, the typical man of peace. He has his uses in the world, for he is almost certain to counsel peace and deliberation when such counsel is of great worth. Through all his life this characteristic distinguished Isaac. He sought the quiet ways and the enjoyment of peaceful days.

#### II. A Preserver of the Good.

Many things there are which serve their usefulness and then pass out, and they ought to pass out. No one would bring back the ox cart and pack-saddle days, the days of the stage coach and the flatboat. The good old days with their good old ways and customs are happily gone now; but we must not lose sight of the fact that certain of the old things are good things which ought not to pass, and that certain of the old customs which ought to survive.

Abraham digged wells of water at numerous places in the wilderness and in the desert. Now a well in a dry land is a good thing to have there, but there are people who always war against whatever is good anywhere. So the Philistines filled up the wells which Abraham digged, and thus rendered them of no use to thirsty men and beasts. So shall you find it everywhere and all the time that there are those who always try to choke every fountain of good that flows anywhere in the world and to block whatever movement for good is started anywhere.

But Isaac came in the room of his father and unchoked the wells which had been filled up by the Philistines. So Isaac restored to usefulness and convenience the things which his father had provided. Years ago, Scotchie McCall opened a well of living water in the country north of where I live and named it Berea church. The Lord called Scotchie to other fields and the well became choked and stagnant. Years later came a missionary and unchoked the well and the living water began again to flow, and it is flowing now to the refreshment of thirsty souls. The missionary who opened again this fountain is a preserver of the good.

There are old customs that ought not to die, and the blessings of God must rest upon the head of the men and women who will not consent to let the old custom die. Our Lord instituted the ordinance of baptism as a custom to be observed in the case of every one who comes to believe in the Lordship of Jesus. The custom was instituted by our Lord and was by Him commanded to be observed till He should come to earth again. Blessed

shall be the man who preserves it unimpaired, and the penalty of God shall be upon the head of the man who changes or debases it.

God give us more men like Isaac, who reopen the choked fountains, who rekindle the flame of the altar fires and labor always to preserve the good which time does not make uncouth.

#### III. A Promoter of the Good.

There would be no advance in civilization were there no pioneers to blaze new paths, no inventors to provide new things to supplant the outworn old, makers of new mechanical servants to take the place of those whose muscles grow weary and whose strength fails. Here may be a man who does nothing new. He plows an ox or a horse hitched to the same model plow that his grandfather used, who does his work in the same old hard, back-breaking way. And here is another who keeps the good in the old and adds to that the good things which he finds useful in the making of his living and of his life. There was an old log church house; or meeting place. It was a place for God's people to meet. There were benches in it, crude benches, to be sure, but benches which sustained the weight of the worshipers. There was no musical instrument, no hymn books, no lights, no heating system, no carpeted floors. God bless the men and women who built those old log houses and worshipped in them; but we would be in sorry plight had we stayed where those old people left us. New occasions teach new duties and changing times bring improved methods in the doing of everything. Our religion must not become static, our meeting houses must not become cast in the pattern of a former age. We have new conceptions of needs which our houses must be equipped to meet.

Isaac dug new wells and thus added his own contribution to the good work his father had done in the long-gone years. You must do your part and I must do my part in the building of the structure of Christian civilization which our Father has set us to build. And be very sure that had Isaac refused to dig the wells he ought to have dug, then Isaac's wells must have gone undug. And be just as sure of this: if you refuse to do the work the Lord wants you to do, that work must go undone; for God has given every man the work he ought to do and as much of it as he can do. No man can do another's work; for each man must do his own work, a work which will require all his time and strength. When, therefore, Isaac was digging wells, Isaac was doing Isaac's own work, contributing Isaac's part to the plan of God for the world.

Right now at this minute I am tired, and I face the question as to whether I shall finish writing this paper, lie down and rest a while, or finish this paper and go immediately to see some people who ought to be touched for Christ before the evening's sun goes down. But this I do know: I must do today the work God wants me to do today or the work God wants me to do today will never be done.

#### IV. Peace to the Peaceful.

Isaac sought the ways of peace, and God rewarded him by giving him a peaceful spirit. And that not only, but God gave Isaac friends instead of enemies. Isaac's enemies were converted into friends by the favor of God upon Isaac. Somewhere I think God says that He makes the enemies

The VBS for Beulah church (Myrick community) was held the week of July 9-13. Mrs. Arthur Moody served as principal of the school. She was a fine leader and had the cooperation of the ladies of the church as they worked with her. Next year we want to have a school for two weeks. Our enrollment was larger than a year ago.—Mrs. Ada Mercer, reporter.

Nola: Pastor E. E. Hedgepeth was assisted in their revival by Rev. Lee Herring of Texas. There were two additions.—Reporter.

of a good man to be at peace with him. Then your care and mine is to qualify as members of the company with whose members God makes their enemies to be at peace.

#### V. A League of Friendship.

So his erstwhile enemies sought Isaac out and asked him to make a treaty of peace and friendship with them. Thus it shall be over and again when a good man or a nation of good men pursue their good way: the favor of God shall be upon them in such abundant measure that those without the circle of the good influence shall want to become members of it.

Rev. and Mrs. Howard H. King, of Leachville, Ark., were recently appointed by the Home Mission Board as general missionaries to the Navajo Indians and are to leave Louisville, Ky., the second week in August for Gallup, N. Mex., where they will have temporary headquarters. Mr. King is a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Texas, and of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, where he received the Th.M. degree in May. The Kings have a son, Berl, 14, and a daughter, Nola Helen, 9.

Harperville: C. M. Day of Pontotoc preached during our revival meeting. The music was under direction of S. C. Doty of Mendenhall and Miss Jane Herrington of Durant served as pianist. There were five additions.—Reporter.

The Baptist Record can hardly live up to some of the good things friends say. But we do appreciate the following words from a reader in another state: "We enjoy your paper very much. It's tops in a state paper."

Hattiesburg: Pastor J. A. Cothen of Glendale church was assisted in the revival by his father, Rev. J. H. Cothen of Richton. Vardaman Bassett was the song leader. We had seven additions.—Mrs. L. D. Bassett, clerk.

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## BAPTIZING---



The Talulla Baptist Church, Deer Creek Association, was organized with 40 members, twenty-five came by letter and fifteen by baptism. The baptismal group with Missionary Martin J. Gilbert, is shown in the picture above. Matthew 3:13-17; Romans 6:1-23. This sort of thing is happening more and more over Mississippi as associations and state missions get underway. Incidentally in the above group is a mother and her five children.

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE MISSIONS

Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi

MY FAVORITE SERMON  
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We think not. No one individual can overturn the kingdom. If so, Saul would have done it, or Nero. Christ knew the gates of hell could not prevail against His church.

Although one individual can do much damage to the lives of others by his influence, he cannot excite Christ with his efforts to destroy Him. Men like Ingersoll, Clarence Darrow and Hitler have never aroused the least bit of excitement as to the destruction of Christ. They cause much harm to others, but when their bones are dry in the grave, Jesus shall continue His own triumphant march.

## 2. Was it given in a rebuking tone?

We think not. There is no anger in the heart of Christ for injuries done Him. His is the loving heart, which is long-suffering and patient. The mother is not angry but hurt when injured. So with Christ. He spake not harshly. Those who persecute Christ today will never be won by angry tones. A note of force or anger in our tones toward others drives them away from us and Christ.

## 3. Was it given in a tender tone?

We think so. It was thus that Christ lived. So we see Him with the woman caught in adultery, with His disciples, in the garden, with Nicodemus, and with the rich young ruler. It is His approach to you. Fear not, He loves thee. Christ used not harshness, but tenderness.

## II. The Personal Question. "Why Persecutest Thou Me?"

1. Saul was acting out of ignorance. His whole program rested on the belief that Jesus was an imposter, a blasphemer. Before Jesus he had no answer. Ignorance loves destruction. Saul thought he was persecuting flesh and blood. How useless are our efforts toward destroying Christ. With Saul, many of us discover that our lives were built on a blunder.

2. Saul was seeking to create a solitude, rather than peace. This he sought to do by destroying all but his group. This was systematic, studied in councils and carried out by decrees. Are you mistaking solitude for peace of soul? Solitude can be had only if all opposition to it is destroyed, peace can come without destruction. Peace is a condition of the heart, solitude is a condition of environment.

## 3. Saul's actions were sincere.

This is why Christ could use him and why I think Jesus made His special appearance to him. His nature was so sincere Jesus knew he would be a power if converted.

## III. The Personal Warning. "It is Hard for Thee to Kick Against the Pricks."

## 1. Note the gentle warning.

Why persecutest thou me? That question was to convey knowledge as well as to ask a question. In other words, Jesus said in this wise, "Saul, why are you acting so rude toward me, didn't you know you could not destroy me? Why, you are injuring yourself; thou art wounding thyself." Certainly our slashes at righteousness and God do not hurt God, but wound ourselves.

2. Saul was really at war with self. In this state he vented his resentment to others as a goad—the spike on a prod fixed to the cart to urge oxen on to their duty. If they obeyed the prick they were serviceable; if they resisted and kicked back their flanks ran red. When we struggle to improve ourselves, we improve our lot; when we kick against our lot, we kick

CHAPLAIN TELLS OF EXPERIENCES  
ON GUADALCANAL

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red ants resent your intrusion, the unpleasantness is more than doubled.

Chaplain Chadwick endured the combined ant and machine gun attack while helping minister to the wounded in the front lines during one of the advances on Guadalcanal. He was behind the log only five minutes, but with the ants supporting the Jap attack, he said, it seemed like all day.

The chaplain has had other narrow escapes. In the course of aiding the medical corps remove the wounded, he came upon a Japanese stretcher lying in the weeds. After picking it up and carrying it a short distance, he discovered it broken and unuseable. Later it was discovered that the stretcher was a Japanese booby trap and was wired to a grenade. Had the chaplain carried the stretcher a few feet further the trap would have sprung.

During his stay in Guadalcanal he at times worked among the natives, and he reports that Christianity has found its way into the Melanesian tribes. While working among the natives he assisted a missionary in holding religious services and passed out badly needed medical supplies.

ourselves. Kicking is the result of resistance to restraint. Saul's conscience was bothering him.

## III.

A swordfish has been known to attack a vessel, ramming its sword-like bill into the hull only to die. What can we hope to win opposing Christ?

A serpent gnawing at a file is encouraged by the pile of chips falling, until blood appears to show him that the chips were his own teeth. You may gnaw at Christ and be encouraged for a spell with the thrill and apparent success of sin, until your own life bleeds.

The gnawing following sin is harder to bear than the prick of conscience which should have kept us from it. (McClaren.)

The law will not give one inch. It is granite-like. We only hurt ourselves when we dash against it. We can't defy the laws of nature and God and not break ourselves.

3. When we accept the yoke, the goad is no longer needed (McClaren). "Take my yoke upon you and learn of me . . . for my yoke is easy . . ." "but it is hard for thee to kick against the goad (pricks)." Matt. 11:29, 30, Acts 26:14.

When one opposes Christ he arrays himself with evil; when he accepts he no longer kicks against Christ but becomes serviceable in His kingdom. A Christian will find it easier to perform his duty to God (bear the yoke) than to slacken against the sharp goad.

## Conclusion:

I know of an individual who opposed Christ all his life. It was fun to see the Negroes run when he could curse God during a lightning storm. It was fun to down the church and minister and defy Christ in his personal life. At last the kicking ran red. He sits now alone on a post office porch. No friends, no health, no happiness. He might cry with Ingersoll on his death bed, "O man of Galilee Thou hast won," "I have wounded only myself." That person could be you.

## TITHING PAYS SAYS READER

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strong forceful sermon on Sunday night that I made up my mind to do what God's Word said about it. I was on a very meager little job, yet this happened in 1932 and I was proud of my job as I managed to stay off the relief rolls with it. Yet it was hard to pay my 50c on time each week as I had promised. My work brought in a little money each day plus a small salary each month and I got me a small tobacco sack (about the best purpose I know of for a tobacco sack) and at the end of each day I was careful to put the Lord's tithe in it. The week soon passed and I never noticed any particular difference until Saturday night at the supper table. Mother and the children had waited supper for me and when we had finished, I decided to count my tithe, and to my surprise I had \$1.68. I honestly thought I had been giving as I should and knew I loved my Lord. But when I realized I hadn't been giving God His part, I felt condemned in sight of God and prayed that He would forgive me and help me to be honest with Him the same as with my fellowman. I began then and there to keep up with my business for the Lord's sake. I have had my share of disappointments since then, but God gave me grace to stand them and has blessed me both spiritually and with material blessings. My home used to be under a mortgage, but it isn't now, and many, many other values too precious to mention.

Listen, dear reader, let me assure you there is no financial situation with any of God's children or church that tithing won't solve. Let me beg you in the name of Jesus to at least be fair with God. In connection with my own experience I ask you to read God's Word and do what it says about it. The following passages will be helpful: Leviticus 27:30, Malachi 3:10, Matthew 23:23.—Sam W. Cochran, Waynesboro.

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THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION CALENDAR

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Offering for the Relief of Aged Ministers.

(3) Christian Literature and Church Libraries.

(4) Sunday School Training Courses.

May—(1) Christian Home Week, May 5-12.

(2) Hospital Day on Mother's Day, May 12.

(3) Y. W. A. Focus Week, May 12-18.

(4) W. M. U. Annual Meeting.

(5) Southern Baptist Convention, May 15.

June—(1) Vacation Bible Schools.

(2) Ridgecrest, State Assemblies and Camps.

(3) Christian Education Day (preferably June 30).

## Third Quarter

July—(1) Baptist Bible Institute.

(2) Ridgecrest, State Assemblies and Camps.

(3) Student Volunteer Summer Service.

August—(1) Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

(2) W. M. U. Young People's Organizations.

(4) Sunbeam Focus Week, August 11-17.

September—(1) Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

(2) W. M. U. Training School.

(3) W. M. U. Season of Prayer for State Missions and Offering.

(4) Training Union Study Courses.

## GOING PLACES

## A. L. GOODRICH

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

## Procrastination Proves Profitable

It is said that "Procrastination is the thief of time," but the following letter from Mrs. A. B. Stringer, treasurer of New Home church, Smith county, proves that there are exceptions: "Enclosed check for \$12 for 12 one-year subscriptions to The Baptist Record. The reason I had not renewed, our revival was this week and I wanted to get some subscriptions as I was the only member of our church taking the paper. I was fortunate to get eleven besides myself."

## PONTOTOC

While the pastor was away on vacation we supplied at Pontotoc, our former pastorate. It was like a visit home. Although many were strangers there were familiar faces. And there were vacant spaces—spaces formerly occupied by those who have gone to be with their Lord.

There were many kind words spoken about the pastor, Rev. John W. Cook, and his wife.

Pontotoc county Record readers are now listed as follows: Algoma 12, CHERRY CREEK 40, Duncan Creek 5, ECRU 107, FURRS 34, LONGVIEW 75, PONTOTOC FIRST 210, Randolph 2, TOCCOPOLA 32, TOXISH 22, Zion 17, Cary Springs 1, CENTER HILL 14, Shady Grove 2, ENDVILLE 28.

BR—  
Ellison Ridge, Winston county, Percy A. Renick, pastor, enrolled 115 in their VBS. The average attendance was 97. A fan has been installed in the auditorium.

## Fourth Quarter

October—(1) Student Join-the-Church Day (Sunday following college opening).

(2) Layman's Day, October 13.

(3) State Mission Day in Sunday School and Offering, Oct. 27.

(3) Sunday School Training Courses.

November—(1) Every-Member Canvass.

(2) Church School of Missions and Stewardship.

(3) State Papers and Missionary Magazines.

(4) R. A. Focus Week, Nov. 10-16.

(5) Orphanage Day and Offering.

December—(1) Foreign Missions.

(2) W. M. U. Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, December 2-6.

(3) Southwide Simultaneous Associational Training Union Meetings, December 6.

(4) Every-Member Canvass (completed).

(5) Student night at Christmas, December 29.

At some time during the year, emphasize the service to all types of Southern Baptist work, at home and abroad, which the American Bible Society renders by supplying the Scriptures, without profit and often below cost, and explain its need for contributions from the churches.



## Brotherhood Department

J. H. Street, Secretary

Following our policy of giving the most, the simplest, and the most concise information possible on the Brotherhood work, we are happy to reproduce this week the substance of a tract by Lawson H. Cooke, general secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South, "Answers to Your Questions."

**Q. What is a Brotherhood?**

**A.** A Brotherhood is a group, many or few, of consecrated men promoting the whole program of their church and of the denomination.

**Q. When was the Baptist Brotherhood of the South organized?**

**A.** In May, 1907, the Southern Baptist Convention authorized the Laymen's Missionary Movement. The title was changed in May, 1926, by action of the Southern Baptist Convention, to the Baptist Brotherhood of the South.

**Q. How is its work directed?**

**A.** By a committee elected each year by the Southern Baptist Convention.

**Q. How is it financed?**

**A.** From the Cooperative Program gifts to southwide causes. The 1945 budget is \$20,000.

**Q. How many Brotherhoods are there in the Southern Baptist Convention?**

**A.** On January 1, 1945, there were Brotherhoods in approximately 3,000 churches and the enrollment in these Brotherhoods was above 100,000.

**Q. Why should there be a Brotherhood in every church?**

**A.** First, because a church is not complete in its denominational structure without a Brotherhood. Second, because 65% of the men of our churches are unenlisted, and the Brotherhood is a denominational agency dealing exclusively with men for the exclusive purpose of enlisting men in the whole program of their church.

**Q. Why cannot the Men's Bible class do the work of a Brotherhood? The Adult Union?**

**A.** Because the function of a Bible class is specifically the study of the Bible. The function of a Training Union is specifically training for church membership. The function of a Brotherhood is the general and all-inclusive task of enlisting men in the whole program of the church which includes both the Bible class and the Training Union. (This subject is treated in full detail in a Brotherhood tract, "Objections Overruled.")

**Q. Can a Brotherhood be organized in a small, part-time rural church?**

**A.** There are hundreds of such throughout the Southern Baptist Convention.

**Q. Should men of other Baptist churches and other denominations be members of a Brotherhood?**

**A.** It is difficult to see how a man can promote the whole program of a church of which he is not a member. The heart of the Brotherhood is loyalty to one's church. If we accept men of other churches into the Brotherhood, we are, on one hand, urging our men to be loyal to our church, and, at the same time, encouraging other men to be disloyal to their church.

**Q. How frequently should a Brotherhood meet?**

**A.** While there are Brotherhoods meeting once a month with good results, the most aggressive and productive Brotherhoods are those that meet weekly. It is difficult to sustain interest if meetings are held less frequently than once a week.

**Q. When is the best time to meet?**

**A.** This must be decided by the individual church, and should be the time when the largest number of men can attend the meeting, and which best fits into the general program of the church. There is

not a night in the week that Brotherhoods are not meeting somewhere throughout the Southern Baptist Convention.

**Q. What is the best program for the meeting?**

**A.** One hour is enough time for a meeting. At least half of the time should be devoted to a discussion of the subject in the Brotherhood Journal. The other half should be given to a short devotional, reports of work since the last meeting, and assignments.

**Q. Is the Brotherhood Journal necessary to the success of the Brotherhood?**

**A.** It is impossible to get the best results without the Journal. You cannot enlist an uninformed man. It is best to use the Journal as a

background of discussion in the Brotherhood meeting, but, if that is impractical, it can be read as a magazine. Complete enlistment is impossible without the information carried in the Journal.

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**Williston church, Leake county:** Pastor Jodie Moore was assisted by C. J. Olander who did the preaching in their recent revival. A new church is to be erected in the near future. There were several additions by baptism.

**Rev. R. S. Crawford** has resigned as pastor of Van Winkle church (Jackson) in order to return to Baptist Bible Institute for further study. He has done a good work at Van Winkle and the people regret the loss of the pastor and his wife.

## KINDLY LIGHT

BY JOSEPH R. SIZOO

Minister of the Collegiate Church of St. Nicholas, New York

DRAMA IN REAL LIFE—XXI

**A**S I CAME to the doorway of our canteen that Saturday night, a junior hostess drew me hastily into a corner.

"We've got a problem boy on our hands," she confided. "Please see what you can do."

Through the smoky haze of the dance room I saw a young sailor, with black curly hair and half-closed eyes. He stood by a window and his fists were tightly clenched, as if he had caught hold of something dreadful and could not let go.

A few minutes later, I touched him on the shoulder.

"How are you, sailor?"

"Good evening, sir." The voice was unexpectedly gentle and courteous as he looked at me briefly and then turned lowered eyes back to the window.

"Feel like dancing? I could introduce you—"

"No, thank you, sir."

"How about a smoke?"

"No, thank you, sir."

"Care for some coffee and sandwiches?"

"No, thank you, sir."

"Would you rather I piped down?"

I asked, forcing a grin.

"No, thank you, sir."

It was like that, no matter what I said to him. Yet I couldn't walk off and leave him, solitary and grim, with those clenched fists; a man who has stayed in the ministry as long as I have is not easily discouraged.

After a while I tried again:

"You are English?"

"Cornwall, sir."

I had been in Cornwall in my youth. I spoke of St. Ives, Falmouth and Penzance. Yes, sir, he knew them. I extolled the beauties of rocky coast, stone castles and mysterious monuments; politely he concurred in my enthusiasm, but he would at no point push the conversation one sentence forward, nor did he ever once relax his mighty, sunburned fists.

Three or four times I had to excuse myself, to greet visitors, to award a prize to the best dancers of the evening, and other little tasks. Each time I came back to the sailor and tried to make dialogue, but it remained a monologue, punctuated with an antiphonal assent of "Yes, sir," and "No, sir."

As midnight came on, the rooms emptied; we were shutting up the canteen for the night.

"Look here," I said, "you've got some deep trouble; anybody can see that. I'm not curious and I don't want to pry—but you look to me like a man who can't sleep. Is that right?"

"Yes, sir."

"Well, that's because you can't find peace of mind, of course. It often happens if you get something off your chest, you feel better. We're alone here now; why don't you tell me?"

There was no relaxing of his tautness, and the look that he gave me was hopelessly impatient.

"All right, I'll tell you," he sighed, and sat down in a folding chair. Fists on his knees, he looked straight down at a small stain on the floor. His voice was a monotone:

"I grew up in St. Ives with a girl who lived next door. Her name was Janie. Her people were friends with my people, and we all thought a lot of each other. When the war came, I went to sea. I have seen a lot of war down in the South Pacific. One day I wrote Janie a letter and asked her if she would marry me. She wrote me right back she would be glad to. So we made plans, and finally I got back to Cornwall with five days' leave—all our own. We had a very pretty ceremony in the church we always went to. There was to be high tea at Janie's house after the ceremony, and then we were to go off by ourselves for the rest of my leave. But first I had a job to do; things were a little bit snarled up and it was my duty to report to the Admiralty Office that I was in town. The first chance I had was as soon as the service was over, so I went down to the office and registered. Then I started back for Janie's house. But it wasn't there."

I could hear the ticking of my wrist watch in that interval of silence. The sailor swallowed hard and went on in the same monotone:

"At first I couldn't believe my eyes. There was only a hole in the ground. Jerry had come over. The house was gone, and so was Janie, and her people and mine—not enough of them left to be worth burying."

I would have put my arms around him, but I knew it wasn't the thing to do. It is better not to touch a mortal wound. What could I say? There must be something one man can say to another in woe like that. Yet I couldn't think of anything. We just sat there in the brightly lighted dance room in the very darkest part of early morning, and both of us stared at the floor.

"Sailor," I proposed finally, "would you care to come home with me? You can have my son's room; he's overseas. My wife would be glad to bring you breakfast in bed; we'd both love to have you."

"No, thank you, sir."

I looked at him and grew desperate.

"If you like, I'll take off my clerical collar and we'll go to one of the late shows. It might distract you."

"No, thank you, sir."

"Well, my car is downstairs. Let's go for a long ride, and I'll drop you off later at your ship. A ride in the night air might help you to get some sleep."

"No, thank you, sir."

What did I have left? Only my faith; the one thing I had carefully avoided all evening, fearing that it would be unwelcome. We are often timid about the best of our gifts.

"Did you ever have much to do with the Church?"

"Yes, sir. I used to sing in the choir when I was a child."

"Remember any hymns?"

"Most of them, sir."

"What was your favorite?"

"I think it must be 'Lead, Kindly Light'."

"Could you sing it now?"

He was still staring down at the floor, and he did not alter his position as he began to sing:

*Lead, kindly Light,  
Amid the encircling gloom—*

Stronger and deeper became his voice, possessed of new power and a feeling that had been unutterable except in music:

*The night is dark,  
And I am far from home—*

Eyes wide open now, it seemed as if he were looking beyond the painted walls of our canteen, beyond space and time to a choir loft in a Cornwall church. The hymn ended, he turned and asked me:

"Do you know 'Abide With Me'?"

"I'll sing it with you."

Strangest of duets! My faltering, middle-aged voice and his firm, young one, lifted in praise and faith:

*When other helpers fail,  
And comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless,  
Oh, abide with me!*

The hours passed and we did not note their passing as we went on from one grand old hymn to another.

At last, in the street below, day was groping its way with fingers of light. I looked at the sailor. His eyes were shining.

"Thank you can sleep now!"

"Yes, thank you, sir."

Arm in arm, we walked out into the morning.

[Above is the first article in The Reader's Digest, August issue]



## Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary  
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

W. R. ROBERTS, Associate



Wm. P. Phillips

Mr. William P. Phillips, leader of adult Sunday school work of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., will be in Mississippi for four adult conferences the week of August 13-16.

The schedule for those four meetings is as follows:

Monday night, August 13—Tupelo, Harrisburg Baptist Church.

Tuesday night, August 14—Collins Baptist Church.

Wednesday night, August 15—Jackson, First Baptist Church.

Thursday night, August 16—McComb, First Baptist Church.

These meetings are for adult workers: class officers, department officers, teachers, and all others who work with adults in the Sunday school. Mr. Phillips is one of our very finest and most capable leaders of adults to be found anywhere. Therefore, we urge our leaders in these sections of the state to be sure to get their adult workers out to these meetings, which will begin at 7:30 at each place.

Remember: Just one night at each place, so don't miss it.

### Sunday School Enrollment

What is your Sunday school enrollment? Some superintendents will tell you that it is so much, not counting the Cradle Roll, Nursery and Extension departments.

Those three departments are as much a part of the Sunday school as any others. Therefore, in reporting the enrollment of your school, be sure to give the total enrollment, including **ALL** the departments. Give your school its full benefit in this matter. We hope all superintendents will do this in giving the information about the school for the church letter to the association meeting this fall.

### So This Is August!!

So this is August—so what?

Well, for one thing it is the last month this year for Vacation Bible schools. These schools are held during vacation time, and already many day schools have begun and others will start soon. Therefore, if you have not had your vacation school, and plan to do it, you will have to hurry for the time is just about gone for that important phase of the summer's work.

But the sad part is not necessarily

that the summer is gone, or about so, but the fact that it is about gone and many churches have not given their boys and girls the advantages that come from attending a Vacation Bible school. Many have, but many have not.

### And Also

And also since this is August it is time to appoint your committee to select and enlist your Sunday school officers and teachers for next year. Don't wait until well up in September before doing this. Get the committee now and let them start working on this very important part of the work.

Some schools are well along the way of having all their officers and teachers selected and enlisted for next year, which begins October first. Make the most of these few remaining days of August to get a good start for the new year that will soon be upon us.

This business of getting officers and teachers for your school includes four things: prayer, selection, enlistment, election. Certainly, they should be prayerfully selected, personally enlisted, and church elected.

Therefore, start now!

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Two families from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, are scheduled to sail early in September for Hawaii as missionaries to Hawaii and Japan, under appointment of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. They are: Rev. and Mrs. Coleman D. Clarke and children, Coleman and Clifford; and Rev. and Mrs. Tucker N. Callaway and baby daughter, Sarah Nelle, all of Atlanta, Ga. Clarke received his Th.M. degree at the seminary this spring, and Callaway completed two years of graduate work toward the Th.D. degree. Mrs. Callaway is a graduate of the Woman's Missionary Union Training School, Louisville.

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## STUDENTS SHOULD MARRY

By Elaine Dansby

I am no Dorothy Dix or Mr. Anthony, but after reading Mr. Mobberly's article in the August 2 issue of The Baptist Record on "Should Students Marry?" I think the other side should be considered.

When a young man goes to a seminary, he loves first his God, then his earthly friends. His God even more loves him, and wants to help him, to guide him in every detail—in choosing his profession, his friends, his denomination, his position, his church, his home, his wife.

A student sometimes needs mental assistance in his studies. A person who is in love has a tendency to think of his lover along with everything he does. He needs her; he needs her inspiration, her love. Although the financial problem prevails, to his fellow workers and supporters who are sending him to college, his morale means much, even though the expense is greater. The student becomes a man more quickly, puts away his childish ways and ideas. He learns readily love and sympathy for human nature. God said in Genesis, "It is not good that man should live alone."

The best advice you can give youth is, "Ask God about it first."

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## COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP TRAINING INSTITUTE SCHEDULED AT DECATUR

On Thursday and Friday, Aug. 16-17, there will be held at East Central Junior College, Decatur, Miss., a Training Institute for community leaders. Representatives from the five counties served by the Junior College are asked to come and participate in the fine program that has been planned. The program begins at 9:30 on Thursday, Aug. 16, and will continue until 4:00 Friday afternoon.

The theme for Thursday morning is Health, and for the afternoon, Agriculture (land use), and Rural Roads.

Friday morning's theme is Nutrition and Health. The whole program will be climaxed Friday afternoon by a consideration of Rural Schools, and Religion of the Community.

In connection with Religion in the Rural Community, Rev. Kenneth Hall, associational missionary of Neshoba county, will tell of the needs of his county as revealed by a careful survey that he has made. His county is typical of the neighboring counties, so his information will be of interest and help to all who can come.

The climax of the whole Institute will be a sermon by Dr. M. E. Dodd, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Shreveport. As director of the Baptist Centennial Evangelistic Crusade for the past year, Dr. Dodd is eminently fitted to bring a message at this time. We hope that everyone who can will avail himself of the privilege of coming to all or part of the program that has been carefully planned by local leaders.—W. A. Hogan, pastor, Clarke-Venable Baptist Church.

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We had an average attendance of 80 in our VBS. The Vacation school and the study course aroused much interest. Twenty-eight came on profession of faith and one by letter during the revival. Pastor Paul Ball baptized the 28 on July 29.—Elise McLendon, reporter, Beaumont church.

## Patterson Joins B.B.I. Faculty

Eugene N. Patterson, Th.D., has resigned his pastorate at Toulminville Baptist Church, Mobile, Alabama, to become a member of the faculty at Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, beginning Aug. 1, 1945.

Therefore, we, the Mobile Baptist Pastor's Conference, wish to express our unbounded esteem for him as a pastor, as our moderator, as a wise counsellor, and as a brother beloved, as he assumes his new duties at B. B. I.

Dr. Patterson has been loyal to all our causes during these five years and as he labored among us has demonstrated his leadership and ability in many ways. We commend him to President Duke K. McCall, to the faculty and to the entire student body at B. B. I. His life and service will prove a blessing to many whom he shall contact there through the years.

We take pleasure also in including Mrs. Patterson and their fine daughter, Miss Jean Marie, in these words of appreciation. Their family life among us has been beautiful and their efficiency and consecration have been demonstrated in many ways. They will make a valuable contribution to the campus family in their new home.

Committee:

H. H. HARWELL,  
H. H. HOBBS,  
M. S. VARNADO.

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## Baldwyn Celebrates Pastor's First Anniversary

Rev. Earl C. Edwards has completed his first year as pastor at Baldwyn. He was formerly pastor at Shuqualak. The anniversary bulletin lists the following facts concerning the past year:

Total additions to the church, fifty. Of this number, thirty-five were for baptism.

During the past year, \$8,010.55 was actually given into the treasury of the church. Of this amount, \$4,022.57 has been given to missions. The church has purchased \$3,000 of government bonds.

The Centennial Thank Offering of \$1,000 was raised to the penny by volunteer contributions.

Seven hundred dollars worth of clothing and food have been sent for world relief.

The basement of the church has been redecorated throughout and new lights have been added to the pastor's study and the auditorium.

The value of the pastorum was increased by adding shrubbery and by refinishing the floors and woodwork.

One hundred and seventy-nine study course awards were received during the year.

The church bell was erected and rung for the first time on V-E Day.

The Baptist Record for every church family has been added to the budget.

A 40-day Clock of Prayer was observed before the Enlargement Campaign of the Sunday school was launched.

The D. V. B. S. of this year had a registration of 119. There were fifteen conversions in the devotional periods.

Twenty-eight attended R. A. and G. A. camp at Natchez Trace Park near Okolona.

## Corn Plant Closes, Stills Run

N. S. Jackson

The food and feed situation becomes more critical day by day. Reports on July 10 indicated that there will be five hundred million bushels less corn than usual this year. Late in May the second largest corn products plant in the world, using 65,000 bushels of corn daily to produce essential commodities, closed down because the supply of corn was exhausted. Other large plants will have to reduce operations or close entirely. In the great corn state of Iowa the supply of corn for poultry feed is cleaned up.

Notwithstanding acute shortages of essential food and feed grain, the War Production Board granted a whiskey holiday for the month of July, and estimated production was fifty-four million gallons of liquor. According to the reliable Farm Journal, the amount of grain used by distillers in this period would produce eighty million pounds of pork for our tables.

In this time of critical shortages, according to a News Letter, "Rumors were current . . . over the week-end that distillers were planning to sell corn to the government . . . for the purpose of creating a favorable public relations situation, because of the vigor with which . . . dry organizations have attacked any use of corn during the holiday. . . . In many quarters the proposed action was considered a good publicity stunt." (Quoted from a liquor trade journal.)

The same trade journal also says,

"Drys will have a hard time getting along with Mr. Anderson (the new secretary of agriculture). Those who know him best say he will see to it that there is plenty of barley and malt for the brewing industry and that distillers will be given sufficient grains. . . ." However, Secretary Anderson is quoted as saying that he may recommend that no grain of any kind be used in the manufacture of alcoholic beverages.

Millions in Europe are starving. Senator Barkley, of Kentucky, after returning from a visit to war torn European countries said to the Senate, "Food must become the restorer of the spirit and bodies of multitudes, young and old, who have barely escaped extinction." Another leader who visited Europe said, "We are rapidly learning that it will take an abundance of food to win the peace and stop the spread of . . . pestilence and political disintegration." Notwithstanding world hunger and need, in 1944 this nation used more than three and one-half billion pounds of food and feed grain to brew beer.

Notwithstanding overtaxed transportation facilities, in 1944 railway cars, gasoline and tires to run trucks, and manpower to operate them, were used to transport 90,463,887 gallons of liquor, 2,386,062,684 gallons of beer, and 88,655,995 gallons of wine during the year.

How long will Christian America allow this condition to exist? Write Mr. Anderson, new secretary of agriculture, write congressmen—continue to write, and pray to our God until something is done.



BACK TO MISSISSIPPI

Rev. S. J. Rhodes has resigned the pastorate at Angie, Louisiana, and accepted the position of associational missionary for Pearl River County Association. He will begin his new work August 15.

Rev. Rhodes will be remembered as a former Mississippi pastor, his last pastorate being at Gillsburg.

## Ozona Church Organized

A Baptist church was organized at Ozona (Pearl River county) on July 22, with sixteen charter members. Rev. Morrell Lee, pastor of the Roseland Park church and leader of the mission work in the Ozona community was in charge of the opening service. Delegations from seven churches of the Pearl River County Baptist Association were recognized and requested to form a council of organization. Rev. S. P. Powell, pastor of Union church, served as moderator, and Rev. J. Harold Jones, pastor of Goodyear church, served as clerk.

Brother Lee gave a brief but timely history of the mission work in the community, saying that services had been held in several homes and an abandoned store before the erection of a temporary house of worship. Dr. O. P. Estes, pastor of the Picayune First church and moderator of the Pearl River Association, brought a message on the place of the church in the life of the community.

Following recognition of credentials of those requesting the organization of the church, the adoption of the church covenant and articles of faith, the group was declared to be a New Testament missionary Baptist church.

—J. Harold Jones.

## Dr. Claud Bowen Marks 5th Anniversary At Jackson

Dr. Claud B. Bowen's fifth anniversary as pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, was marked last Sunday at the church. During his five years as pastor, the current expense fund has totalled \$100,108.84; building fund, \$135,685.47; mission fund, \$77,558.90, or a total of \$313,352.40 received through church offerings. During the last pastoral year, \$92,527.18 was received of which \$27,588.82 was given to mission causes.

In the past five years, 1,657 new members have joined the church, more than six members per Sunday. In 1945, 346 members joined the church.

When Dr. Bowen came to Calvary in August, 1940, there was a debt of more than \$90,000 on the building which was paid off in the summer of 1944 and climaxed with a dedication service in August, 1944.

Since then, approximately \$20,000 has been spent on improvement of the

buildings and grounds, in addition to purchasing an apartment building to care for the crowded Sunday school. The building, to care for babies and small children, will be ready for occupancy January 1.

Funds have been started for the purchase of an air-conditioning unit, a new pipe organ, and an address system.

Calvary has 446 names on its Service Honor Roll, ten of whom have been killed in action.

Dr. Bowen, beginning his sixth year, looks forward to an enlargement of the Sunday school and Training Union by adding new departments. He is interested in having a department organized to take care of the returning servicemen and their wives.

Editor's Note: This church has the largest Baptist Record circulation of any church on The Baptist Record list. They now have a list of 960.

### CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young, Clinton, Miss.

#### Called and Accepted

John W. Landrum, chaplaincy, Naval Base, San Francisco, Calif., from Midway, Kentucky.

R. E. Miller, Dayline, La., from army chaplaincy.

V. T. Lewis, Rio church near Bogalusa, La.

J. C. Smith, Hornbeck, La.

J. P. Fortinberry, Newton, Texas, from Kirbyville.

J. C. Murphy, Pachuta, Miss., from Port Sulphur, La.

L. Williamson, Calvary, Villa Platte, from Hopewell, La.

T. Sloan Guy, Jr., Westhampton church Richmond, Va.

Harry T. James, Gretna, Va., from Tazewell.

Alvin H. Hopson, First, Lebanon, Ky.

C. H. Petty, Tabernacle, Chattanooga, Tenn.

B. B. DuBose, Bon Weir, Texas, from Evadale.

Thomas Cobb, Siide, Texas, from Somerville.

Lee Vaughn, Lakeview, Texas.

G. A. Elrod, First, Silverton, Texas, from Roscoe.

A. F. Whitlock, Apache, Okla.

R. T. Smith, Tar River Association, Tenn.

Thomas E. Thompson, Cornelius, Tenn.

Carl G. Mauney, Enka, Tenn.

J. L. Alexander, First, Barstow, Calif.

L. C. Craig, Dallas Avenue, Dallas, Texas, from McGehee, Ark.

Arnold B. Blount, Kempsville, Va.

R. F. Dunlap, First, Bellmead, Texas.

John M. Wright, First, Port Arthur, Texas, from Pineville, La.

Harold E. East, First, Bay City, Tex.

Fred H. Porter, First, Eastland, Texas, from Sweetwater.

B. C. Stonechiper, Kelton and Briscoe, Texas.

M. Y. Rucker, Algoa, Texas.

Weldon Brooks, Alvin, Texas.

L. D. Meyers, Sparks, Texas.

Tom Murphy, Disney, Okla., from Jefferson City, Mo.

## Joe E. Brown Elected President Southern Baptist Hospital Trustees

By Frank M. Purser, Oxford State Member

Brother Joe E. Brown, editor of the Word and Way of Missouri, was elected president of the Board of Director of Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans at the July meeting of the board; Earl P. Paris of New Orleans was elected vice-president; and F. S. Groner was elected general manager of the hospital in New Orleans to succeed Dr. Louis J. Bristow, who had resigned last year, effective now. Because of the several requests from Baptists and Baptist bodies in other cities for counsel and help in establishing Baptist hospitals in those cities, and desiring to retain the services of Doctor Bristow because of his long and successful career as a hospital executive, the board wanted him to serve in assisting those Baptists elsewhere who have requested his help. This assistance will be given in accordance with the plan of cooperation with other hospitals adopted by the Convention when the New Orleans hospital was established.

The report of the superintendent for the six-months' period reflected a prosperous condition of the hospital, which is serving well. The hospital does a large volume of charity work. It cares for free of charge missionaries of the Home and Foreign Boards, and the inmates of the Woman's Emergency Home and the Rescue Mission, both agencies of the Convention, as well as giving free service to many others at the request of other

A new six-story dormitory for student nurses was completed in February. The school of nursing has an affiliation with Tulane University whereby certain classes are taught in the class rooms and laboratories of the university. This arrangement places our school in the front rank of schools of nursing. The hospital itself pays all the expenses of the school, including the cash allowance made monthly to students.

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A second printing of Dr. Zeno Wall's new book, "Heartening Messages," has been published by the Broadman Press, of Nashville, after the first edition sold out in the first three weeks after its appearance. The book found immediate favor throughout the country, resulting in a rapid sell-out. It has enjoyed special favor wherever Dr. Wall is known and has preached, the volume itself being primarily a series of lectures he delivered originally at Mississippi College and publication of which was sought by church leaders who heard him there. Macedonia church, Winston county, Percy A. Renick, pastor, is constructing Sunday school rooms.

## BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Auber J. Wilds, State Secretary - Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi  
 Associates: Miss Louise Hill, Miss Clarice Conner  
 Miss Nella Dean Mitchell, Mrs. L. R. Williams

Our daily Bible readings for August through the 24th will be in 1st and 2nd Samuel. Read these interesting chapters with us.

Beginning Aug. 24 we start reading the Book of Luke.

Our theme for August—Christ's Church in a Spiritual Democracy. The subjects of the programs for each Sunday are as follows: Aug. 5—Who Has the Right to Church Membership? Aug. 12—How Should a Church Be Governed? Aug. 19—What Are the Rights of Church Membership? Aug. 26—A Modern Prophet Who Glorified God. Note the distinctive doctrines to be studied the first three Sundays. You will profit by attending these programs even though you do not participate.

### Lauderdale Associational Training Union Has Successful Picnic

Representatives from the churches of Lauderdale county had a grand time in Highland Park recently under the leadership of capable leaders for each age group. Mr. I. E. Stokes directed the Adults, Miss Margaret Cassells, the Young People; Miss Ethel McKeithen, the Intermediates; Mrs. E. L. Byrd, the Juniors, and Mrs. E. E. Fortenberry the Story Hour. Miss Irmogene Tucker, the associational director, recognized three newcomers to the association, Dr. Paul Horner, pastor of 15th Avenue church, Meridian; Rev. Martin Gilbert, associational pastor, and Miss Margaret Wilson, educational director of 41st Avenue church. A tempting picnic supper was served, Rev. E. L. Byrd offering thanks. Brother Gilbert led in a worship service, Dr. Horner gave a challenging message, and Dr. Norman W. Cox offered the dismissal prayer. Games for everybody were played, and everyone, except the ladies who were preparing the meal, took part, and what a lot of fun was had! Four ladies entered a purse emptying contest. Mrs. Omera Reeves won in this contest, having forty-one dozen articles in her purse! A "debate?" with four men participating was one of the highlights of the program. Subjects discussed simultaneously were "Which Was the First to Exist, the Hen or the Egg?"; "My Wife is the Biggest Talker in Town"; "A Turtle Can Run as Good a Race as a Snail"; "A Sack of Popcorn Has as Much Food Value as an All-Day Sucker." The men taking part were Otis Smith, A. E. Shirley, Lyle Corey, I. E. Stokes. Everyone declared the entire evening was a success and thanked Miss Tucker for her splendid leadership as associational director, and John Stewart and his committee on "eats" were also given a big vote of thanks. The slogan, "Play and keep young and happy."

You will be ordering supplies soon for your promotion day programs. One way to keep your Training Union graded and to have little confusion during the year with members wanting to go from one union or department to the other is to make much of PROMOTION DAY each year. The last Sunday in September is usually the day for this program. Promotion certificates are available for all concerned. We have at a recent addition to this supply a certificate for those being promoted from the Young People's Union to the B. A. U. Promotion from union to union within the department, and promotion from department to department above the Story Hour. These certificates are 5c each or 50c a dozen and can be had from the Baptist Book Store, Jackson, Miss. Order NOW, plan to make this an OCCASION in your Training Union this year. See the September issue of the Training

Union Magazine for a suggested program.

We think a lot of our "Church Correspondents." Who are they, you ask? Why, they are a select group, one from each of a thousand churches in the state (we still have about 500 churches that have not given us the name of someone who will serve) to whom we can write, sending any material we have for distribution, and they will see that the proper person receives it. Often the leadership in a church changes so it makes it impossible for us to keep a corrected mailing list, but if that church has a "church correspondent" we are assured of the material we sent reaching the proper officer or leader. We are rather "fussy" about this select group, so when one hands you something they have received from the Training Union Department, just know that this person is rendering us a marvelous service by acting as the church correspondent for the church.

### A CORRECTION

In the July 26 issue of the Record we stated that the Liberty church, Union county, had no Training Union prior to July 1. This was an error and we are glad to correct it. They DID have a good union prior to the coming of one of our workers to help with a study course July 1-6, and we rejoice with them in this fact. It was certainly not our intention to reflect on this church or its leadership. Our apologies to all concerned, especially Pastor Ernest Rakestraw and Mrs. W. T. Humphreys, director.

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### Church Organized at Tinsley

Following a series of sermons in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Young sponsored by Anding and Oil City churches, Don Land and Earl George, pastors, a Baptist church was organized at Tinsley on July 15. There were 12 charter members and two more for baptism.

Rev. Don Jones has been called as pastor. He is also pastor at Benton. Mrs. W. H. Logan has been chosen as church clerk and treasurer.

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A new Junior Union has been organized at Hardy. The leader is the pastor's wife, Mrs. Berton McGee.

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### MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR OF PRAYER

August 13—Rev. R. W. Porter, Riverside

Association Convention Board member; Mrs. C. L. Henderson, Associational W. M. U. superintendent, District 7.

August 14—Rev. George Gay, Chickasaw county Convention Board member.

August 15—Mrs. Frances Hollowell of Blue Mountain College faculty.

August 16—Rev. C. B. Hamlet, III, Montgomery county Convention Board member.

August 17—Mrs. J. D. Barron, W. M. U. Associational superintendent for Simpson county.

August 18—T. V. Flint, George county Sunday school superintendent.

August 19—Horace Headrick, Jones county Associational Sunday school superintendent.

Twenty were baptized by Pastor A. A. Jackson of the Leaf River church, Smith county. Three made a profession at the water's edge.

Southern Baptists lost another beloved servant in the recent death of Dr. W. H. Faust. He was superintendent of evangelism for the Georgia Baptist Convention and had spent 42 years in the ministry.

A seaman in the Southwest Pacific recently wrote to Enlistment Pastor E. D. Estes of his conversion during a prayer meeting on his ship. Several of the men are having a prayer meeting of their own and he said that the officers never turn them down when they get ready for a prayer meeting. In his letter he asked for some tracts to pass around the ship. Seaman Russell is from Tishomingo county and Brother Estes has conducted revival meetings in his home church.



### Going After the Lost Is the Business of Churches!

Every church sponsoring at least one extension meeting this year is a goal of the Centennial Evangelistic Crusade.

#### Preaching In The Open Brings Blessings

For twenty-two years Pastor C. E. Matthews of Travis Avenue Baptist Church in Fort Worth has led his church each year to conduct outdoor meetings.

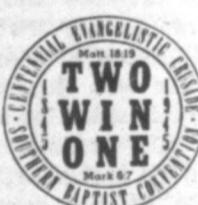
Blessings from these extension meetings he lists as follows:

1. Many hear the Gospel out in the open or under a tent who never attend worship in a building. Some are thus brought to Christ who perhaps could never be reached in a church building.

2. It is easy to enlist church members in outdoor meetings, especially in singing and doing personal work. There are a different fellowship and a greater liberty in outdoor meetings than are experienced indoors.

3. Outdoor revivals are conducive to religious visiting. Services are held in new or unchurched communities and homes are therefore entered that otherwise would be untouched by church visitors. New fields are thus opened to the church.

4. Members of other denomina-



tions attend outdoor services in large numbers, thus presenting a great opportunity to preach Christ as Baptists believe in Him.

5. Baptists today are in danger of losing the rugged, militant, compassionate spirit of true evangelism.

Outdoor meetings will help combat that danger, believes Brother Matthews.

"There is nothing we can do that will help us more in that direction," he adds, "than for every church to conduct at least one outdoor revival each year."

"We must keep our worship on the level with the masses. The common people heard Him gladly."

"When one imagines 25,000 Southern Baptist churches going afield in outdoor revivals each year, he is inspired by what can be done in a country where religious liberty permits such a thing."

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